

Week Ahead

Legislative Focus: Health Care, Defense Authorization, FAA Reauthorization
This week, the Senate is currently scheduled to vote on health care overhaul legislation that was introduced late last week. With at least eight known Republican Senators not currently supporting the bill and outright Democratic opposition, this week's vote is uncertain. On Tuesday the Congressional Budget Office is expected to release their score of the health care bill. On Wednesday, a vote to proceed to the legislation is likely. Should that vote be successful, on Thursday, a "vote-a-rama" on dozens of amendments to the bill could begin. If a vote on the health care bill takes place, it could happen as late as the weekend, right before a one-week recess.

Also this week, the full House and Senate Armed Services Committees are set to mark up their respective defense authorization bills with subcommittees in both chambers conducting markups today. On Tuesday, the House Transportation and Infrastructure marks up their chamber's Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) reauthorization and, on Thursday, the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation marks up their chamber's FAA bill.

Senate Floor: The Senate convenes at 4 p.m. to resume consideration of the nomination of Kristine L. Svinicki for an additional term on the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, where she serves as chair, with a confirmation vote at 5:30 p.m.

House Floor: The House convenes at noon to consider 4 bills under suspension of the rules, including two bills related to workforce credentials for veterans. Additional measures the chamber is expected to take up later in the week include legislation (HR 3003) blocking federal funding for state and local governments that inhibit the enforcement of immigration laws and legislation (HR 3004) increasing possible criminal penalties for deported criminal illegal aliens that return to the United States.

Senate Appropriations Committee

- Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Subcommittee hearing on the proposed budget estimates and justification for FY2018 for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Witnesses include EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt Senior Advisor to the Administrator Holly Graves. Tuesday, June 27 at 9:30 a.m.
- Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee hearing on the proposed budget estimates and justification for FY2018 for the Securities Exchange Council (SEC) and the

Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC). Witnesses include SEC Chairman Jay Clayton and CFTC Chairman Christopher Giancarlo. Tuesday, June 27 at 10:00 a.m.

- Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Subcommittee hearing on the proposed budget estimates and justification for FY2018 for the Department of Labor. Witnesses include Sec. Acosta. Tuesday, June 27 at 10:30 a.m.
- Energy and Water Development Subcommittee hearing on the proposed budget estimates and justification for FY2018 for the Army Corps of Engineers and the Bureau of Reclamation. Witnesses include Lieutenant General Todd T. Semonite, Douglas Lamont and Acting Commissioner Alan Mikkelsen. Wednesday, June 28 at 2:30 p.m.

Senate Armed Services Committee

- Strategic Forces Subcommittee Markup of the National Defense Authorization Act for FY2018, Monday, June 26 at 3:00 p.m. CLOSED
- Seapower Subcommittee Markup of the National Defense Authorization Act for FY2018, Monday, June 26 at 3:30 p.m. CLOSED
- Airland Subcommittee Markup of the National Defense Authorization Act for FY2018, Monday, June 26 at 4:00 p.m. CLOSED
- Readiness Subcommittee Markup of the National Defense Authorization Act for FY2018, Monday, June 26 at 4:30 p.m. CLOSED
- Cybersecurity Subcommittee Markup of the National Defense Authorization Act for FY2018, Monday, June 26 at 5:40 p.m. CLOSED
- Emerging Threats Subcommittee Markup of the National Defense Authorization Act for FY2018, Tuesday, June 27 at 6:30 a.m. CLOSED
- Personnel Subcommittee Markup of the National Defense Authorization Act for FY2018, Tuesday, June 27 at 7:00 a.m. CLOSED
- Full Committee Markup of the National Defense Authorization Act for FY2018, Tuesday, June 27 at 7:30 a.m. CLOSED
- Full Committee Markup of the National Defense Authorization Act for FY2018, Wednesday, June 28 at 7:00 a.m. CLOSED
- Full Committee Markup of the National Defense Authorization Act for FY2018, Thursday, June 29 from 7:00 a.m. CLOSED

Senate Banking Committee

- Full Committee hearing on the principles of housing finance reform. Witnesses include David Stevens, CEO of the Mortgage Bankers Association, Edward DeMarco, President of the Housing Policy Council of the Financial Services Roundtable, and Michael Calhoun, President of the Center for Responsible Lending. Thursday, June 29 at 10:00 a.m.

Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee

- Full Committee hearing on the nomination of Steven Gill Bradbury to be General Counsel of the Department of Transportation and Elizabeth Erin Walsh to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service. Wednesday, June 28 at 10:00 a.m.

Senate Environment and Public Works Committee

- Clean Air and Nuclear Safety Subcommittee hearing on developing and deploying advanced clean energy technologies. Tuesday, June 27 at 2:45 p.m.

Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee

- Full Committee hearing on the nomination of Claire M. Grady to be Under Secretary for Management, U.S. Department of Homeland Security and Henry Kerner to be Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel. Wednesday, June 28 at 10:00 a.m.

House Agriculture Committee

- Full Committee hearing on "Clearing the Next Crisis: Resilience, Recovery and Resolution of Derivative Clearinghouses," Tuesday, June 27 at 10:00 a.m.

House Appropriations Committee

- Defense Subcommittee markup on FY 2018 Defense Appropriations Bill, Monday, June 26 at 7:00 p.m.
- State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Subcommittee hearing on the FY 2018 United Nations and International Organizations Budget, Tuesday, June 27 at 10:00 a.m.
- Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Subcommittee markup on the FY 2018 Agriculture Appropriations Bill, Wednesday, June 28 at 10:00 a.m.
- Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies Subcommittee Markup of the FY 2018 Energy and Water Appropriations Bill, Wednesday, June 28 at 11:00 a.m.

House Education and the Workforce Committee

- Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education Subcommittee hearing on "Exploring Opportunities to Strengthen Education Research While Protecting Student Privacy," Wednesday, June 28 at 10:00 a.m.

House Energy and Commerce Committee

- Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection Subcommittee hearing on Self-Driving Vehicle Legislation, Tuesday, June 27 at 10:00 a.m.

House Financial Services Committee

- Capital Markets, Securities, and Investment Subcommittee hearing on the U.S. Equity Market Structure, Tuesday, June 27 at 10:00 a.m.
- Monetary Policy and Trade Subcommittee hearing on "The Federal Reserve's Impact on Main Street, Retirees, and Savings," Wednesday, June 28 at 10:00 a.m.
- Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit Subcommittee hearing on "Examining the BSA/AML Regulatory Compliance Regime," Wednesday, June 28 at 2:00 p.m.

House Judiciary Committee

- Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations Subcommittee hearing on H.R. 2851: Stop The Importation and Trafficking of Synthetic Analogues Act of 2017, Tuesday, June 27 at 2:00 p.m.

House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee

- Full Committee Markup on H.R. 2997: The 21st Century Aviation Innovation, Reform, and Reauthorization Act, Tuesday, June 27 at 10:00 a.m.

House Ways and Means Committee

- Social Security and Oversight Subcommittees Joint Hearing on the Complexities and Challenges of Social Security Coverage and Payroll Tax Compliance for State and Local Governments, Thursday, June 29 at 10:00 a.m.

Michigan Newsmakers

Rep. Bill Huizenga (MI-02)

Holland Sentinel—June 23rd, 2017

Huizenga, Stabenow Lead Bipartisan Effort Against Asian Carp

The continuing threat of Asian carp to Lake Michigan—and the entire Great Lakes system—has forged an alliance between Republicans and Democrats to find an answer on how to stop the invasive species' progress.

Latest Developments

HASC Chairman's Mark Released

Today the House Armed Services Committee released its Chairman's Mark for the FY18 National Defense Authorization Act. The bill authorizes a total of $705 billion in discretionary and mandatory national defense spending. It also authorizes $75 billion for war-related Overseas Contingency Operations, $10 billion of it dedicated toward base budget programs. The Chairman's mark includes an annual report on personnel, training and equipment needs of the non-federalized National Guard. This report requires consultation with the Council of Governors. The committee will markup the whole provision on Wednesday during a marathon session. Highlights from the HASC bill, including the Chairman's mark, can be found in this memo.

House Defense Appropriations Subcommittee Releases Defense Spending Bill

Yesterday the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense released the text of its FY18 Defense Appropriations bill. The bill provides $658.1 billion for the Department of Defense, which includes $584.2 billion in base funding and $73.9 billion for the Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO) account. The bill also appropriates $1 billion for the National Guard and Reserve equipment account which helps fund equipment needs not met by the active component. The committee will mark up the legislation this evening.

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